

Vegetable Seed Swap Starting Up!

The March class of the library's ***Sow to Grow*** gardening series welcomes newcomers and drop-by visitors. The hitch? If you join us, please bring an egg carton or a dozen other small containers

for planting seedlings and, to join our seed swap, a packet or two of vegetable seeds. (The seed swap will be open to the public as well.) The March class will discuss how to start, care for and transplant seeds. For more information, contact Christine Arena: 483-3098 x2441. Attend the class at either branch: **3/15, 2-3:30PM, Westlake** or **3/17, 9-10:30AM, Main**



At January's *Sow to Grow* class, Chris Brown, Cooperative Extension, and students built a raised garden bed, which the gentleman in green, below, won in a drawing. Easy to build from wood or other materials, raised beds yield plentiful harvests. During the class, Master Gardener De English explained square foot gardening, a technique that maximizes planting space.

Thank you **Lowe's of Rocky Mount** for donating the materials to build raised beds during the Westlake and Main classes.



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Westlake Branch
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MARCH 2018

**“March is a tomboy with
tousled hair, a mischievous
smile, mud on her shoes and
a laugh in her voice.”**

—Hal Borland

MARCH @ MAIN LIBRARY

Our programs often need a minimum number of participants to be held. Please sign up early!

PowerPoint in 2 Classes. 3/5 & 3/9. 1-3PM. Create visually attractive slide shows. For 13+. **Pre-register @ 483-3098 opt 0**



Backyard Chicken Keeping. 3/6. 6PM. How to care for chicks, hens & roosters...if you dare. With local experts Bruce & Elaine Ingram. **Pre-register @ 483-3098 opt 0**

From Ireland to America: What I Learned About My Homeland After Coming to the U.S. 3/12. 12PM.

Enjoy Irish soda bread & tea while Geraldine O'Reilly of Rocky Mount shares what she discovered about her

country of birth after moving to the U.S. Free. **Pre-register @ 483-3098 opt 0**

Financial Planning in 2 Classes. 3/15. 6-8PM. At 6PM: How to create an individualized plan for financial success. **At 7PM:** How to implement tax strategies to benefit your financial health. With The Connor Group. **Attend one or both classes but please reserve a seat: @ 483-3098 opt 0**

Ancestors that Served in the Military. 3/15. 1-4PM. How to use military records in family research. For 13+. **Pre-register @ 483-3098 opt 0**

The Call of the Wild: Living with Coyotes. 3/22.

6PM. Our *Myths & Facts Virginia Wildlife Series* presents one of North America's most maligned & misunderstood wild animals. With Dan Lovelace, Virginia Game & Inland Fisheries & Bill Hodges, USDA. **Pre-register @ 483-3098 opt 0**



Every Month

Mahjong. Every Monday. 1PM

Senior Scholars Book Club. 1st Tuesdays. 10AM. Essig Center

Friends of Main Library Book Sale. 2nd Saturdays. 8:30-12:30PM

Stampin' Up! 3rd Wednesdays. Adults, 1PM. Kids, 3:30PM. \$5 each

MARCH @ WESTLAKE LIBRARY

NEW HOURS @ WESTLAKE

Mon, Wed, Fri, Sat: 9AM-2PM

Tues & Thurs: 9AM-8PM

Bringing TED Talks to You! 3/2. 12PM. Free screenings of TED Talks every month on the first Friday. March's theme: *The Upside of Aging*. Bring your lunch. Beverages & dessert on us.

Concert by Hotel Roanoke's Regency Trio. 3/23. 6-8PM. Live music spanning the decades. Sponsored by Friends of Westlake Library. Free. No reservations needed.



Hotel Roanoke's
Regency Trio

AARP Tax Assistance through 4/17. Tuesdays only. Free. **Must schedule an appointment: 483-3098 opt 2**

COMING IN APRIL



Free concert by **Russ Rentler**, award-winning performer of acoustic music that mixes folk, Celtic and blues-inspired sounds. A physician turned full-time musician, Russ tells humorous stories about his life during his concerts. **April 12, 6:30PM, Main Branch**

MARCH CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Westlake Branch

LITTLE LEARNING LAB

- 6-week themed sessions that augment the traditional story hour program with process art, music, science, technology & storytelling
- Every Wed & Thurs
 - 10:30AM
 - Designed for pre-readers & preschoolers
 - No registration needed

"Once Upon A Time"

This theme continues from Feb. & runs through Apr. 5. Repeat visitors & newcomers welcome!



LEGO CLUB: 6PM
2nd & 4th Thurs
For K-6. Drop in



Photos from Westlake Library's January Open House and celebration of the New Children's Learning Area

BUILDING UP STEAM!

AGES 5-11

Monthly: (2) STEAM programs on the same topic, one in morning & one after school. Choose either session.

Space limited.
Must pre-register:
483-3098 opt 2

3/22

4PM

3/23

10:30AM

MARCH CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS

Main Branch

TODDLER TIME

STORY TIME

LEGO CLUB: 4PM

Tues
10:30AM

Wed or Fri
10:30AM

Mar. 13 & 22

Ages 5-10

Must register:
483-3098 opt 1

SPECIAL EVENTS

DIY TIC TAC TOE GAMES. 3/27. 1-3:30PM. All ages. Drop by & create, while supplies last, your own tic tac toe game.

FAN CLUB

AGES 13-18

"Goofy Green Scenes." Use green screen equipment to film yourself in front of backgrounds that you can choose & change.

3/19, 5-6PM
Free snacks
No registration needed
For info: 483-3098 opt 1

NEW GAMES FOR IN-LIBRARY PLAYING



